

UNIT 16: THE NATURE OF THE BEAST



Root Word	Meaning	Origin
anim	spirit, soul, life	Latin
carn	meat, flesh	Latin
phys	nature	Greek



- animal** (n) - a living thing that is not a human being or plant
*My friend, who believes that **animals** have souls, has become a vegan so she will only eat food that comes from plants.*
- animate** (v) - to make someone or something lively or excited; to make a drawing appear to move
*the cartoonist made several drawings to **animate** the hot air balloon so that it appeared to float away.*
- animator** (n) - a person who creates animated movies and cartoons
*I am always so impressed by how an **animator** can make a fictitious character move and act so realistically.*
- inanimate** (n) - not capable of life; nonliving things
*A chair is an example of an **inanimate** object.*
- carnivorous** (adj) - used to describe an animal that eats meat
*The **carnivorous** lion preys on the unsuspecting gazelles that are grazing in the open field.*
- reincarnate** (v) - to be born again with a different body after death
*Some religions believe that after your die, your soul will **reincarnate** with a different body.*
- physical** (adj) - relating to the body of a person instead of the mind; existing in a form that you can touch or see
*Lindsay could hardly feel the **physical** pain after her fall because she was so embarrassed that she tripped in front of her friends.*
- physician** (n) - a medical doctor
*The **physician** stitched up my wound and told me to rest for the evening.*
- physics** (n) - a science that deals with matter and energy and the way they interact with heat, light, electricity, and sound
*We are currently studying the laws of gravity in **physics**.*
- physicist** (n) - a scientist who studies or is a specialist in physics
*Albert Einstein is one of the most accomplished **physicists** ever.*

16A: SENTENCE COMPLETION

DIRECTIONS: Complete the following sentences with the correct word from your list. Each word will be used only once.



animal
animate
animator
inanimate
carnivorous
reincarnate
physical
physician
physics
physicist

1. Before digital downloads, when you purchased music you actually got a _____ cassette tape or compact disc.
2. It's important to not place too high a value on _____ objects such as homes and cars.
3. The _____ was studying how certain types of matter react to extreme temperatures.
4. The vet gave the wounded _____ some medication.
5. I want to be an _____ because I love to draw and I enjoy cartoons.
6. My favorite topic of _____ is electrical circuits.
7. Many artists _____ their characters using computers.
8. There are some who believe that you can _____ as an animal in your next life.
9. The _____ prescribed antibiotics for my sick brother.
10. Polar bears are _____ animals because they eat fish and other marine life.

16B: YES OR NO?

DIRECTIONS: Respond to the following statements by circling "Yes" or "No."

1. **Yes** **No** Rabbits are carnivorous animals.
2. **Yes** **No** A smile can **animate** a person's face.
3. **Yes** **No** A **physicist** studies cells and life cycles.
4. **Yes** **No** Plants are considered **animals**.
5. **Yes** **No** **Physician** is a synonym for doctor.
6. **Yes** **No** A toddler is an example of an **inanimate** object.
7. **Yes** **No** **Reincarnate** means to eat meat again.
8. **Yes** **No** **Physics** is the study of matter and energy.
9. **Yes** **No** **Animators** can make inanimate objects come to life.
10. **Yes** **No** An idea is **physical** object.